



# Anglican Parish of Warracknabeal

Warracknabeal, Areegra, Minyip, Hopetoun, Brim

**Lent 5**

**21 March 2021**

**(52 weeks since COVID)**

*Hello Everyone - Greetings!*

## **On - 'the Road'**

Life on the road may well be difficult for some of us, especially if we have been brought up on a privatized Christianity which has avoided the hard socio-economic decisions that are inevitable part of a responsible Christian lifestyle. However, it will never be boring. With each new challenge that comes to us in the community of God's new people also comes the promise of grace. The Jesus who graciously calls us to a new lifestyle on the road is the same one who accompanies us as we journey into the future.

This life of discipleship is essentially a pilgrimage in the company of all others who are being led by the one who first set his face to Jerusalem.

The road to Jerusalem leads to the cross and travels on to the resurrection. The crucified and risen One calls and empowers his followers as they journey towards that day when his kingdom will be revealed in all its glory as his will is accomplished on earth as in heaven, and all his people live together in justice and peace.

*[Athol Gill 'Life on the Road' © 1991 Rowland Croucher Ed. Rivers in the Desert. Albatross:Aus]*

***God be in my head and in my understanding;***

***God be in my eyes and in my looking;***

***God be in my mouth and in my speaking;***

***God be in my heart and in my thinking;***

***God be at my end and at my departing.***

Richard Pynson's *Horae B.V.M* Sarum 1514

**A Christian Seder Meal –**  
**Maundy Thursday**

You are invited to join us for fellowship and food to honour the Israelite's journey from 'slavery to freedom', and Jesus' journey from death to Resurrection.

**April 01:**

**6.00pm for 6.30pm Parish Centre**

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL immediately**

(only 40 places available)

so that you are not disappointed.

**Contact REV or Sandra**



**Prayer in the Parish**

**In the Parish & Beyond:**

- +Garry; Diocesan MU Members;
- for people in Syria, Syrians not in Syria, and Syrians in Australia;
- Lenten pilgrims in heart, mind and soul; the gift of doubt and conviction;
- Project REGENERATE – Parish Centre Revamp Consultation sessions;
- Parish Council meeting – Tues 23rd;
- All those grieving.

**Community:**

- Give thanks for artists & musicians;
- For seasonable weather;
- for all those feeling lonely and isolated; those who are sad;
- All affected by COVID.

**Years Mind:** Kate McGuire, Honor Whyte, Eric Croser

**Parish Council meets Tues  
23<sup>rd</sup> March in Rectory.**

**7.00 for 7.30pm**

***Please pray for us,  
as we pray for you.***

**Service Times March/April**

**Lent 5 – 21 March**

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal

2.00pm Dunmunkle Lodge

6.00-8.00pm SHINE Youth Group

**Palm Sunday 28 March**

9.30am & 5.00pm Warracknabeal

8.30-12.30 – Coffee Van

**Walk of the Cross**

30 March - 01 April

**Maundy Thursday – Seder Meal**

01 April: 6.00 for 6.30pm

Warracknabeal

**Good Friday – 02 April**

9.30am Warracknabeal

**Easter Bonfire – Sat 03 April**

From 6.00pm at Areegra

**Easter Day Celebration**

**Sun 04 April**

9.30am Warracknabeal



**Kilometres  
travelled**

**3,456.75**

**Pledged & Donated**

**\$15,354.69**

# TODAY'S READINGS

## FIFTH SUNDAY IN LENT

First Reading:

Jeremiah 31:31-34

### ***A reading from the book of Jeremiah***

'The days are coming,' declares the Lord, 'when I will make a new covenant with the people of Israel and with the people of Judah. It will not be like the covenant I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to lead them out of Egypt, because they broke my covenant, though I was a husband to them,' declares the Lord. 'This is the covenant that I will make with the people of Israel after that time,' declares the Lord. 'I will put my law in their minds and write it on their hearts. I will be their God, and they will be my people. No longer will they teach their neighbour, or say to one another, "Know the Lord," because they will all know me, from the least of them to the greatest,' declares the Lord. 'For I will forgive their wickedness and will remember their sins no more.'

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

Psalm:

51

### ***Response: Create a clean heart in me, O God.***

1. Have mercy on me, O God, in your goodness; in the greatness of your compassion wipe out my offense. Thoroughly wash me from my guilt and of my sin cleanse me. **(R)**

2. A clean heart create for me, O God, and a steadfast spirit renew within me. Cast me not out from your presence, and your Holy Spirit take not from me. **(R)**

3. Give me back the joy of your salvation, and a willing spirit sustain in me. I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners shall return to you. **(R)**

Second Reading:

Hebrews 5:5-14

### ***A reading from the letter to the Hebrews***

In the same way, Christ did not take on himself the glory of becoming a high priest. But God said to him, 'You are my Son; today I have become your Father.' And he says in another place, 'You are a priest for ever, in the order of Melchizedek.' During the days of Jesus' life on earth, he offered up prayers and petitions with fervent cries and tears to the one who could save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Son though he was, he learned obedience from what he suffered and, once made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him and was designated by God to be high priest in the order of Melchizedek. We have much to say about this, but it is hard to make it clear to you because you no longer try to understand. In fact, though by this time you ought to be teachers, you need someone to teach you the elementary truths of God's word all over again. You need milk, not solid food! Anyone who lives on milk, being still an infant, is not acquainted with the teaching about righteousness. But solid food is for the mature, who by constant use have trained themselves to distinguish good from evil.

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

### **Bishop Garry's YouTube message**

**"Serpents" (Lent 4)**

[https://youtu.be/nj6\\_RkgVafc](https://youtu.be/nj6_RkgVafc)

## Gospel Acclamation:

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!**

Whoever serves me must follow me,  
says the Lord; and where I am, there  
also will my servant be.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!**

## Gospel:

John 12:20-33

### ***A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John***

Now there were some Greeks among those who went up to worship at the festival. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, with a request. 'Sir,' they said, 'we would like to see Jesus.' Philip went to tell Andrew; Andrew and Philip in turn told Jesus. Jesus replied, 'The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. Anyone who loves their life will lose it, while anyone who hates their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will

And Jesus said unto the theologians,  
"Who do you say that I am?"

They replied, "You are the  
eschatological manifestation of the  
ground of our being, the kerygma of  
which we find the ultimate meaning in  
our interpersonal relationships."

And Jesus said "...What?"



honour the one who serves me. 'Now my soul is troubled, and what shall I say? "Father, save me from this hour"? No, it was for this very reason I came to this hour. Father, glorify your name!' Then a voice came from heaven, 'I have glorified it, and will glorify it again.' The crowd that was there and heard it said it had thundered; others said an angel had spoken to him. Jesus said, 'This voice was for your benefit, not mine. Now is the time for judgment on this world; now the prince of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.' He said this to show the kind of death he was going to die.

This is the gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ**

## THE PROPER

**Sentence:** 'This is the covenant I will make with them,' says the Lord God: 'I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God and they shall be my people.'

**Collect:** O God, our Redeemer, in our weakness we have failed to be your messengers of forgiveness and hope: renew us by your Holy Spirit, that we may follow your commands and proclaim your reign of love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**Rev's YouTube message - Lent 5**

**GO THERE!**

**[https://youtu.be/ 1PzbhMh\\_00](https://youtu.be/1PzbhMh_00)**



# Easter Chocolate Guide

available from Rev James or at church – Be Slavery Free!

Help change the world and STOP human trafficking.



## Easter Chocolate Shopping Guide



MIGHTY EARTH



BE SLAVERY FREE



INKOTA



Green America



Easter is the biggest chocolate shopping holiday of the year. What's really going into the chocolate we buy? Be Slavery Free, Green America, INKOTA, Mighty Earth, and National Wildlife Federation surveyed the world's biggest chocolate companies to find out! Some are rising to the challenge of making cocoa sustainable, but others continue to ignore consumer demand for chocolate that's free of **deforestation**, **farmer poverty**, and **child labor**. This guide informs the choices of consumers like you. Together, we can transform the chocolate industry into one that prioritizes people and the planet.

### GOOD EGG AWARDS



alter  
eco

ROWNEY  
CHOCOLONIES

Whittaker's  
SINCE 1894

for greatest improvement  
in sustainable policies

### ROTTEN EGG AWARD



STORCK

(Werther's, Toffifay, Merci)  
for lack of transparency  
and worst-in-class  
policies.

### SCORE KEY



Needs to  
catch up  
with the  
industry



Needs  
more  
work



Starting to  
have good  
policies to  
implement



Leading the  
industry on  
policy

**Rev will be at the  
Warrack  
Markets this  
Saturday.  
Come and say  
hello!**



## **Walk of the Cross Pilgrimage: 30 March-01 April 2021**

Rev James will be walking from Hopetoun to Warracknabeal during Holy Week – Tues-Thurs. He is seeking several volunteers to help make the ‘Walk of the Cross’ a success again this year please. Get in touch if you can help.

**A driver/s for Escort vehicle:** **covered I think!**

**A driver for Rev’s Car & Camper Van:**

1. Weds pm to Brim. 2. Thurs am to Warrack.

**A Cat-minder:**

To feed the cats am & pm on Tues, Weds & Thurs morning.

**Catering:** Please contact Sandra Taylor – 0408 991 235 if you can assist.

There are probably a couple of things I’ve forgotten at the moment. Anyway, I’ll try and get more info to you in the next couple of weeks.

I’m not promoting an opportunity for people to join me on the Pilgrimage for COVID & Rural Roads Vic reasons. However, if someone really wanted to walk some of the way – get in touch and we can come to a suitable arrangement.

*Rev James: 0438 233 630 or via email: warrackanglican@gmail.com*

## **Project REGENERATE – Parish Centre Revamp Consultation Sessions**

**Sunday 28 March – 2.00pm**

You are invited to participate in the Parish Revamp Consultation Sessions to discuss, explore and comment on Concept Designs for Phase1 (Boys’ Shed), 2 (PC Facilities) & 3 (Future Worship) as part of our commitment to Project REGENERATE – an ambitious 5 year plan to Renew People: Revive Projects: Restore Place.

No expertise required. Tea & Coffee provided. (Sorry you missed out on Weds)

*Some people have asked me about donated monies  
and whether they go to Ballarat or not?*

1. Normal parish income through the collection or unspecified donations go into the General Account = to cover parish expenses.
2. Specified donations clearly marked on envelope / pledge / will ie: “Project REGENERATE” = go into our special ‘Account’ and remain in parish for the designated purpose.

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